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APPLICATION NO. 10/786,651

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application No. 10/786,651 ) Group Art Unit: 1751  
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Filed: February 25, 2004 ) Examiner: Thomas, Jaison P.  
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FOR: **CONDUCTING POLYMER-GRAFTED** )  
**CARBON MATERIAL FOR FUEL** )  
**CELL APPLICATIONS** )

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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February 22, 2007

Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith are copies of documents cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, PCT, and/or foreign patent offices in other patent application(s). See Exhibit E attached hereto and its attachments.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), copies of any cited U.S. patent or U.S. patent application publication documents are not enclosed. Copies of any cited foreign patent document and/or any non-patent publication are enclosed.

This Information Disclosure Statement is believed to be filed in a timely manner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), in that a first Office Action on the merits of the present patent application has not yet been mailed to Applicant.

While not required, Applicant makes the certification statements below out of an abundance of caution.

With respect to Exhibit E, items 1-7, the undersigned hereby certifies that no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

With respect to Exhibit E, items 6-7 pertain to foreign counterparts of a related U.S. application (10/445,273; Attorney Docket No. 03234.0016U2). The related U.S. application was previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement of August 18, 2004.

Applicants would also like to clarify the certification statement made with respect to foreign documents in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 3, 2006. As a result of uncertainty with respect to selection of the appropriate certification statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), Applicants certified items 7-10 of Exhibit D under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1). Items 7-10 pertain to foreign counterparts of related U.S. applications (10/445,273, 10/445,090, and 10/445,074; Attorney Docket Nos. 03234.0016U2, 03234.0017U2, and 03234.0018U2, respectively) and not to direct foreign counterparts of the present application. As the certification statements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) are unclear with respect to the definition of "counterpart" foreign applications, Applicants could have treated documents 7-10 as pertaining to counterpart foreign applications and utilized the certification statement under

37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1) or could have treated them as pertaining to related, but not counterpart applications and utilized the certification statement under 37 C.F.R. § 19.7(e)(2). Thus, it is unclear which certification statement is most applicable to foreign counterparts of related U.S. applications, but it is clear that one of the two certifications is applicable. If it is deemed that applicants selected the incorrect certification, there was no intent to misrepresent the documents and the certification thereof in the earlier filed Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

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No fee is believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

Respectfully submitted,

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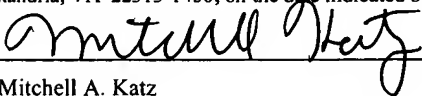
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## EXHIBIT E

TABLE 1. U.S. Office Actions and Responses

TAB NO.	APPLICATION NO.	DOCUMENT	DATE	N&R REFERENCE NO.
1	11/093,858	Response to Office Action	02/05/07	03234.0028U2
2	10/786,652	Response to Restriction Requirement	12/08/06	03234.0018U3
3	10/229,933	Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due	12/19/06	03234.0002U2
4	10/445,273	Office Action	1/17/07	03234.0016U2
5	10/445,074	Response to Office Action	12/08/06	03234.0018U2

TABLE 2. PCT and Foreign Office Actions

TAB NO.	APPLICATION NO.	DOCUMENT	DATE	N&R REFERENCE NO.
6	China Appl. No. 03811770.3 (Counterpart to U.S. 10/445,273)	Response to Office Action	12/19/06	03234.0016CN1
7	Eurasia Appl. No. 200401548 (Counterpart to U.S. 10/445,273)	Response to Office Action with English translation	01/09/07	03234.0016EA1